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President:	Mr. Jayakumar	(Singapore)
Members:	Bulgaria	Mr. Vassilev
	Cameroon	Ms. Mballa Eyenga
	China	Mr. Chen Xu
	Colombia	Mr. Salazar
	France	Mrs. d'Achon
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	Ireland	Mr. Barcroft
	Mauritius	Ms. Réhaut
	Mexico	Ms. Lajous
	Norway	Mr. Larsen
	Russian Federation	Mr. Granovsky
	Syrian Arab Republic	Mr. Mekdad
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Ross
	United States of America	Ms. Connelly

Agenda

Admission of new Members

Report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members concerning the application of the Democratic Republic of East Timor for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/2002/566).

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The meeting was called to order at 1.40 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President: Under the item on its agenda, the Security Council will now begin its consideration of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members concerning the application of the Democratic Republic of East Timor for admission to membership in the United Nations. The report appears as document S/2002/566.

In paragraph 3 of the report, the Committee recommends to the Security Council the adoption of a draft resolution on the application of the Democratic Republic of East Timor for admission to membership in the United Nations. I should like to congratulate the Committee on its unanimous decision to recommend that the Democratic Republic of East Timor be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

In accordance with the understanding reached in prior consultations among members of the Council, I propose that the Council adopt the draft resolution contained in paragraph 3 of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members without a vote.

As I see no objection, it is so decided.

I therefore declare that the draft resolution contained in paragraph 3 of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members (S/2002/566) has been adopted without a vote as resolution 1414 (2002).

I shall convey the decision of the Security Council recommending the admission of the Democratic Republic of East Timor to membership in the United Nations to the Secretary-General for transmittal to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly in accordance with rule 60 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure and the request of the Democratic Republic of East Timor.

I shall now make a statement, in my capacity as President of the Security Council, on behalf of the members of the Council.

> "The Security Council has decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the Democratic Republic of East Timor be admitted as a Member of the United Nations. On behalf of the members of the Council, I wish to extend my congratulations to the Democratic Republic of East Timor on this historic occasion.
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> "The Council notes with great satisfaction the Democratic Republic of East Timor's solemn commitment to uphold the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and to fulfil all the obligations contained therein.
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> "We look forward to the day in the near future when the Democratic Republic of East Timor will join us as a Member of the United Nations and to working closely with its representatives."

This statement will be issued as a document of the Security Council under the symbol S/PRST/2002/15.

The Council has thus concluded its consideration of the matter before it.

The meeting rose at 1.45 p.m.